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Office Action Summary

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Examiner

Raymond Phan

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 04 June 2004.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-10 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-10 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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Part III DETAILED ACTION

Notice to Applicant(s)

1. This action is responsive to the following communications: amendment filed on September 23, 2004.
2. This application has been examined. Claims 1-10 are pending.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

3. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

4. Claims 1-4, 6-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Matero et al. (US No. 5,768,691) in view of Francisco et al. (US No. 6,256,495).

In regard to claims 1, 8, Matero et al. disclose a switching and connecting arrangement for coupling external and internal antennas, wherein the arrangement comprises at least a diversity switch arranged on the circuit board for selecting the first antenna or second antenna and for connecting them in turns electrically to the circuit of the transceiver (see figure 6, col. 5, line 42 through col. 6, line 25); a first integrated antenna switch arranged on the circuit board for selecting a first antenna and connecting it electrically to the diversity switch, wherein the first antenna is either a first internal antenna or a first external antenna to be coupled, wherein the first antenna switch is forced mechanically to select the first external antenna instead of the first internal antenna when it is coupled to the switch and to select the first internal antenna when disconnected (see figure 6, col. 5, line 42 through

col. 6, line 25). But Matero et al. do not specifically disclose a second integrated antenna switch arranged on the circuit board for selecting a second antenna and connecting it electrically to the diversity switch, wherein the second antenna is either a second internal antenna or a second external antenna to be coupled, wherein the second antenna switch is forced mechanically to select the second external antenna instead of the second internal antenna when it is coupled to the switch and to select the second internal antenna when disconnected. However Francisco et al. disclose a multiple antenna switches which comprises a second integrated antenna switch arranged on the circuit board for selecting a second antenna and connecting it electrically to the diversity switch, wherein the second antenna is either a second internal antenna or a second external antenna to be coupled, wherein the second antenna switch is forced mechanically to select the second external antenna instead of the second internal antenna when it is coupled to the switch and to select the second internal antenna when disconnected (see col. 4 line 37 through col. 5, line 8). Therefore, it would have been obvious to a person of an ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have combined the teachings of Francisco et al. within the system of Matero et al. because it would provide less expensive and less prone to failure and minimize the signal attenuation associated with the utilization of semiconductor diversity switches.

In regard to claims 2, 9, Francisco et al. disclose the diversity switch comprises at least a first feed interface for coupling the first antenna switch and second feed interface for second antenna switch and third interface for coupling the switch to the circuit (see col. 5, line 8 through col. 6, line 37); the first antenna switch comprises the fourth feed interface arranged for coupling the first internal antenna to the switch, at least fifth feed interface arranged for coupling the first

external antenna with its interface to the switch, and at least sixth interface for coupling the switch to the diversity switch(see col. 5, line 8 through col. 6, line 37); the second antenna switch comprises the seventh feed interface arranged for coupling the second internal antenna to the switch, at least eighth feed interface arranged for coupling the second external antenna with its interface to the switch, and at least ninth interface for coupling the switch to the diversity switch (see col. 5, line 8 through col. 6, line 37). Therefore, it would have been obvious to a person of an ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have combined the teachings of Francisco et al. within the system of Matero et al. because it would provide less expensive and less prone to failure and minimize the signal.

In regard to claims 3, 10, Francisco et al. disclose a switch arranged to couple to the diversity switch electrically to the circuit wherein the switch comprises at least the interface for receiver of the circuit and the interface for transmitter of the circuit (see col. 5, line 8 through col. 6, line 37). Therefore, it would have been obvious to a person of an ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have combined the teachings of Francisco et al. within the system of Matero et al. because it would provide less expensive and less prone to failure and minimize the signal.

In regard to claim 4, Matero et al. disclose the receiver comprises a separate bandpass filter for processing the receiving signal (see col. 1, line 34 through col. 2, line 37) and that the transmitter comprises a separate low pass filter for processing the signal to be transmitted (see col. 1, line 34 through col. 2, line 37).

In regard to claim 6, Matero et al. disclose the internal antennas are arranged on the circuit board (see figure 6).

In regard to claim 7, Francisco et al. disclose the switch and the diversity switch are integrated in a component comprising at least the first feed interface, the second feed interface, the tenth feed interface, and the eleventh feed interface (see col. 5, line 8 through col. 6, line 37). Therefore, it would have been obvious to a person of an ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have combined the teachings of Francisco et al. within the system of Matero et al. because it would provide less expensive and less prone to failure and minimize the signal.

5. Claim 5 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Matero et al. in view of Francisco et al. and further in view of Dosch (US No. 6,587,698).

Matero et al. and Francisco et al. teach the claimed subject matter as discussed above except the teaching of the circuit board is fitted in the expansion card comprising a transceiver and also an expansion part fitted at the end of the expansion card wherein the circuit board at least partly and the internal antenna are arranged inside the expansion part. However Dosch discloses the circuit board is fitted in the expansion card comprising a transceiver and also an expansion part fitted at the end of the expansion card wherein the circuit board at least partly and the internal antenna are arranged inside the expansion part (see figure 3, col. 3, line 33 through col. 4, line 50). Therefore, it would have been obvious to a person of an ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have combined the teachings of Dosch within the systems of Francisco et al. and Matero et al. because it would provide little hardware expenditure, easy radio communication to carry out.

Response to Amendment

6. Applicant's arguments, see pages 12-13, filed on September 23, 2004, with respect to the rejections of claims 1-10 under 35USC103 have been fully considered and are persuasive. Therefore, the rejection has been withdrawn. However, upon further consideration, a new ground(s) of rejection is made in view of Matero et al. ('691).

Conclusion

7. All claims are rejected.

8. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to examiner Raymond Phan, whose telephone number is (571) 272-3630. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 6:30AM- 4:00PM.

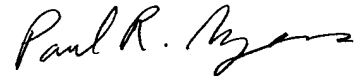
If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's Primary, Paul Myers can be reached on (571) 272-3639 or via e-mail addressed to paul.myers@uspto.gov. The fax phone number for this Group is (703) 872-9306.

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the TC 2100 central telephone number is (571) 272-2100.



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